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Governor's Office on Service and Volunteerism Announces \$2.5 Million in AmeriCorps Formula Grants

Federal AmeriCorps grant funding helps address critical needs at the community level

Baltimore, MD (November 16, 2015) – Governor Hogan's Office on Service and Volunteerism announced today that 17 organizations in Maryland have received AmeriCorps formula grants from the Corporation for National and Community Service. The Governor's Office on Service and Volunteerism will distribute more than \$2.5 million in funding to these organizations, which were selected in a statewide competitive process. A complete list of the recipients is available at GOSV.maryland.gov.

"We are pleased to distribute funding to these hardworking non-profits who make such a positive impact in our Maryland communities," said Jeff Griffin, the director of the Governor's Office of Service and Volunteerism.

The 2015-2016 Maryland AmeriCorps State portfolio consists of programs funded through a national grant competition and those funded through a formula and competitive allotment from the Corporation for National and Community Service. These grants will support 1,000 AmeriCorps members who will serve in Maryland to strengthen education, provide disaster services, assist veterans and military families, preserve the environment, expand health services, and foster economic opportunity.

The grants will support statewide and local nonprofit organizations, educational institutions, and local government agencies. AmeriCorps members supported by these grants will earn Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards to help pay for college or to pay back student loans.

Since 1994, 22,000 Maryland residents have served over 30 million hours and have qualified for Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards totaling more than \$67.4 million.